## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI SOUTHERN DISTRICT

ABRA HORN PLAINTIFF

VERSUS CIVIL ACTION NO.: 1:08cv41LG-JMR

HARRISON COUNTY, et al.; SHERIFF GEORGE H. PAYNE, JR.; WARDEN DONALD A. CABANA; CHAPLAIN JOE COLLINS; RHONDALYN ROGERS; KARL STOLZE and RICK GASTON, Former Deputies

**DEFENDANTS** 

## <u>MOTION TO DISMISS</u> PURSUANT TO FEDERAL RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE 4(m)

COMES NOW, RICK GASTON, by and through his undersigned counsel, and respectfully requests that this Court dismiss the above lawsuit without prejudice for failure to timely serve process under Rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and submits this memorandum in support of his motion, to wit:

I.

The Plaintiff filed a Complaint on February 08, 2008 in the United States Federal District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Southern Division.

II.

To date, Captain Rick Gaston has not been served with process in the above styled cause.

III.

One Hundred Twenty (120) days have passed since the filing of the Complaint in the above styled cause.

IV.

Rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure require the Defendant be

served within one hundred twenty (120) days. If the Defendant is not served within that

time period, the Court must dismiss the action without prejudice. Since Defendant Rick

Gaston has not been served within one hundred twenty (120) days, dismissal without

prejudice is proper.

WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, your Defendant, RICK GASTON,

respectfully requests this Court dismiss him from the above styled lawsuit without

prejudice due to Plaintiff's untimely service of process on him as required under Rule 4

of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this, the 9<sup>th</sup> day of June 2008.

RICK GASTON, Defendant

By: /s/Ian Brendel

IAN BRENDEL

Attorney for Defendant

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Jim Davis, do hereby certify that I have this day electronically filed a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing *MOTION TO DISMISS*, with the Clerk of Court using the ECF system, which sent notification of such filing to the following:

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Honorable Louis Guirola, Jr. United States District Judge Dan M. Russell, Jr. U.S. Courthouse 2012 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 814 Gulfport, MS 39501

Honorable John M. Roper United States Magistrate Judge Dan M. Russell, Jr. U.S. Courthouse 2012 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 870 Gulfport, MS 39501

This the 9<sup>th</sup> day of June 2008.

BY: <u>/s/Ian Brendel</u>
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